

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5463

February Session, 2010

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AN ACT CONCERNING PERIODIC REVIEW OF VIDEO PROVIDERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2010) The Department of Public 2 Utility Control shall bienially conduct a performance review of every 3 person, entity or company holding a certificate of public convenience 4 and necessity to provide community antenna television service, a 5 certificate of cable franchise authority or a certificate of video franchise 6 authority, as such terms are defined in section 16-1 of the general 7 statutes, to review the state of the industry and to ensure compliance 8 with the terms and conditions of each such certificate as applicable. 9 The performance review may include, but not be limited to, issues 10 concerning customer service, community access support, management 11 of outages, service to handicapped and low-income customers and 12 cooperation with the department. Performance reviews conducted 13 pursuant to this section shall be conducted as contested cases and 14 include an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with chapter 54 of 15 the general statutes. The Attorney General and the Office of Consumer 16 Counsel shall be parties to any such contested case. The department 17 may designate the applicable advisory council as an intervenor in any 18 such contested case.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2010	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

The reference to section 16-1 definitions was inserted for clarity.

ET Joint Favorable Subst.